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Wed. Sept. 9th 1936

Dear Q-C:

It is understood that there was a five hour session this A.M. between the Committee and Management at the Diamond match Plant as a result of the Notice posted yesterday. It is also understood that the Members were ready at the signal to shut the plant down. But this was not nessiccary as the Management called for the meeting the first thing and they took down the notices and after the conference they put up a new notice that said the first notice was misleading and they wished to clearify their stand in the matter and that the joining or refusal to join any organization lay entirelynwith the employee himself. which he must do of his own free will.. Now the report is out that many of the members want that last five words stricken out. (of his own free will) on the grounds that it conflicks with the forepart of the notice and still intimates that the management does not wish you to join. The first notice bore Taylors signature. the last notice is signed. "the Management"

It is understood that Hanna the Sec. of the CLU. was taken into the Retail Clerks tonight. also John McCoy. an Insurance man and petty politician of Barberton. It was understood that they were obligated by the Akron representative Dan Stokes, and that there was no meeting as no others showed up. It was understood that Sam Lowther has decided to resign as special organizer of the Retail clerks It has been told that the meat cutters charter is about to be revoked and that the Meat cutters have recieved no help from their International for some time. so that the new plan is to stick hanna in as organizer on the clerks and to take over all the Meat cutters that can be got and sign them ip in the clerks.

Stokes, and Hanna and two others not yet settled on, are spoken of as deligates to the clerks convention at Newark on the 20th of Sept. and it is said that a special meeting will be called for the Barberton clerks on Monday, Sept. 21st to receive the deligates report, and the meetings of clerks will thereafter be held on the 1st and 3d monday night of each month.

There was a report out that a meeting of all locals, officers had held a meeting at the Match Headquarters office, but the results of their decisions have not yet been made known.

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